

# HOLY THEOPHANY OF OUR LORD, GOD AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST

Sunday, January 6, 2019

## Sermon: Righteousness, Renewal, and Restoration

### Orthros

**Tone:** of the feast

**Eothinos:** Mark 1:9-11(of the feast)

### Divine Liturgy

**Epistle:** Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7 (pg. 126)

**Gospel:** Matthew 3:13-17 (pg. 127)

**Epistle Reader:** Gus Alex

**Prophora:** Eleni Delis

**Coffee Hour Set-Up:** Helen Anastassiou & Pagona Athanitis

**Coffee Hour Hostesses:** Annamaria Kallas, Mary LaRiccia, Cathy Stevens

**Parish Council:** Christos Tzelepis, Andy Mitrosilis, Ronnie Wade

**Musical Selections:** *Collection:* Mazurka, Op. 67, No. 3 (F.Chopin) *Dismissal:* Impromptu, Op. 90, No. 4 (F.Schubert)

**Altar Boys Team:** One

**Next Week's Team:** Two

#### Parish Schedule for the Week January 6, 2019

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Sunday, January 6 <i>Holy Theophany</i>	Orthros Divine Liturgy & Great Blessing of the Waters Sunday School Outdoor Blessing of the Waters w/ St. Matthews (at Torrance Beach)	9:00 AM 10:00 AM 11:00 AM 1:30 PM
Monday, January 7	Greek Dance Practice	6:00 PM
Tuesday, January 8	Senior Citizens Meeting Philoptochos Board Meeting (Fotion Fellowship Hall – EC104A) YAL Basketball Practice	11:00 AM 7:00 PM 7:00 PM
Wednesday, January 9	Daughters of Penelope Meeting (FFH – EC104A) AHEPA Meeting (FFH – EC104B) Boys Basketball Practice	6:30 PM 7:00 PM 7:00 PM
Thursday, January 10	Girls Basketball Practice	7:00 PM
Friday, January 11	Budding Angels Fellowship (Caras Education Center – EC105) Greek Language School	10:30 AM 4:00 PM
Saturday, January 12	Greek Language School	9:00 AM

**Apolytikion Resurrection Hymn:** *Apolytikion for Theophany in Tone 1*

*Lord, when You were baptized in the Jordan, the veneration of the Trinity was revealed. For the voice of the Father gave witness to You, calling You Beloved, and the Spirit, in the guise of a dove, confirmed the certainty of His words. Glory to You, Christ our God, who appeared and enlightened the world.*

Ἐν Ἰορδάνῃ βαπτιζομένου σου Κύριε, ἡ τῆς Τριάδος ἐφανερώθη προσκύνησις: τοῦ γὰρ Γεννήτορος ἡ φωνὴ προσεμαρτύρει σοι, ἀγαπητὸν σε Υἱὸν ὀνομάζουσα· καὶ τὸ Πνεῦμα ἐν εἶδει περιστεῶς, ἔβεβαίου τοῦ λόγου τὸ ἀσφαλές. Ὁ ἐπιφανείς Χριστὲ ὁ Θεός, καὶ τὸν κόσμον φωτίσας δόξα σοι.

### Holy Water – Plenty for those who are patient

Holy Water in the Holy Orthodox Church is used for blessing homes and for taking into our bodies when we are ill. At the conclusion of the service, everyone will receive a bottle of Holy Water. Those wishing to receive additional bottles (for those unable to attend church) are asked to wait in the church after receiving your first bottle of Holy Water. Additional bottles will be handed out *after* all parishioners have received their first bottle.

### Outdoor Blessing of the Waters TODAY at 1:30PM followed by chili potluck at St. Matthew's parish hall

Join us for a joint blessing of the waters at Torrance Beach (south end of Esplanade) / St. Matthew (2368 Sonoma St.)

### Happy New Year! Check off the old! Check in the new!

Thank you to our faithful stewards who *pledged* just over \$509,000 in 2018. We are still waiting for just over \$18,000 in pledge commitments to be *fulfilled*, so please take care of your final payments if you haven't already. Here's a handy checklist to stay on track: 1) Fulfill your 2018 pledge this week! 2) Fill out your 2019 pledge card and mail it in. Or for more fun, bring it to Stewardship Sunday (Jan. 13). Join us for a cupcake and a chance to win a coveted monthly parking place! If you prefer to pledge online, go to [www.stkatherinegoc.org](http://www.stkatherinegoc.org) and click on "Donate" and then click the "Pledge Now for 2019" link. 3) Use your pledge packet envelopes to begin fulfilling your new 2019 pledge. We are getting an *all new* online payment system! We will let you know the minute it is ready! 4) Check! Check! Check! Sit back, relax and enjoy the beginning of another wonderful year. Xronia Polla!

### 2019 Church Calendars available for pick-up today during the coffee hour

Pick up your 2019 calendar at the tables located to the right of the entrance to the community center. Please note, calendar envelopes are in zip code order. Philoptochos members will assist you in finding your envelope.

### Girl Scouts Baby Rattle Donation Drive – Now thru February 14

Troop 16945 is collecting baby rattles to distribute to the ill and suffering infants at the Los Angeles Children's Hospital. Drop off new, packaged rattles (ages 0-1) in the collection box in Sunday School class EC-209.

### Philoptochos Christmas Outreach

Thank you to everyone who has participated in our Christmas outreach projects to benefit three local charities. The collections of food and warm jackets, blankets, etc. will continue through January.

### Orthodox Christian Women's Book Club – Inaugural meeting will be on January 17, 2019, 6-8PM!

Join us as we launch our new St. Katherine ministry. A wonderful fellowship of women of all ages interested in deepening their faith and their life in Christ. Join us in the Petrofanis Conference Room (upstairs) an evening each month reading (and discussing) from an incredible selection of fiction and non-fiction works about and by Orthodox Christian women; starting with *The Ascetic Life of Mothers* by Annalisa Boyd and *Growing in Christ, Shaped in His Image* by Mother Raphaela, available from our bookstore. RSVP to Angelica at [philkoep@aol.com](mailto:philkoep@aol.com).

### St. Katherine Seniors Meeting – Tuesday, January 8 at 11AM

St. Katherine Seniors wish all a happy and healthy New Year. Join us for our first meeting of the New Year. President, Chris Keller will give an overview of last year's accomplishments and offer suggestion and new ideas for the members to consider for 2019. Our Christmas donation drive of unwrapped gifts for children was a huge success! It took three Redondo Beach fire trucks to haul all the gifts and toys away! With the New Year, new dues are welcomed along with new members. Don't forget, introduce a new member and you'll both enjoy lunch for free!

### Daughters of Penelope – First meeting of the New Year – Wednesday, January 9 at 6:30PM

The meeting will be in the Fotion Fellowship Hall and begins at 6:30pm. It is also time for the annual collection of dues, so come prepared so we can get our dues collected early.

### Foundation News – Notice to all our academic minded students

Scholarship Applications are now available for pick-up in the church office or from Mrs. Dalis or Mrs. Halikis. Be sure to start this process early in order to meet the deadline of **Wednesday, April 10, 2019**. To be considered, high school seniors **must** meet a minimum GPA of 3.5 and undergraduates a 3.4. Graduate students may also apply.

### PanHellenic Scholarship Foundation – Awarding scholarships to undergraduates of Hellenic heritage

The Foundation is now accepting applications (through 1/31/19) for its 2018/19 scholarships from eligible undergraduate students of Hellenic descent. Distributing 20 awards of \$10,000 each based on academic merit and financial need and an additional 20 Awards of \$2,500 each based solely on academic achievement. Apply online at: [www.panhellenicsf.org](http://www.panhellenicsf.org). For additional information email [pkorbakes@panhellenicsf.org](mailto:pkorbakes@panhellenicsf.org) or call 312-357-6432.